

Teach Us to Pray – "Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven."

Matthew 6:9-13

"Lord, teach us to pray"

Kingdom:

- The kingdom of God has arrived with Jesus, yet not in its fullness.
- The ALREADY, but not YET, reality of the kingdom of God
- "Kingdom is the range of your effective will." Dallas Willard, Divine Conspiracy
- Kingdom of God/heaven: God's reign and rule over all things

Heaven & Earth: watch this 6 min video: https://bibleproject.com/explore/heaven-earth/
"The union of heaven and earth is what the story of the Bible is all about."

What do we learn to pray from, "Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven"?

- Pray with a YEARNING for the renewal and reconciliation of all things NOW. (Example of what to pray for, Revelation 7:9-12)
- Pray with the HOPE that God will renew and reconcile all things in the new heavens and new earth. Revelation 21:1-5
- Pursue and pray for you to live under Jesus' rule and reign over ALL areas of your life. Matthew 14:17
- Pursue and pray every day that you will bring renewal and reconciliation into your spheres of influence.
 2 Corinthians 5:11-21

Pray for and live for RENEWAL and RECONCILIATION.

Memory Verse:

"From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." Matthew 4:17 (ESV)

Further Study:

Read: Matthew 6:9-13 in your group or with at least one other person.

- 1. Have someone read it while everyone reads along.
- 2. Have someone else read it while everyone else listens.
- 3. Have someone recount the text from memory in their own words.

Discuss:

- 1. What does the passage reveal about God?
- 2. What does the passage reveal about humanity?

Act:

- 1. If this passage is from God, what should change about how you live?
- 2. Who needs to hear the truth of this Scripture that you can share it with this week? Identify a time this week when you might have the opportunity to share with them.